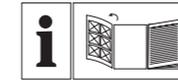


# CORDLESS BRANCH CUTTER



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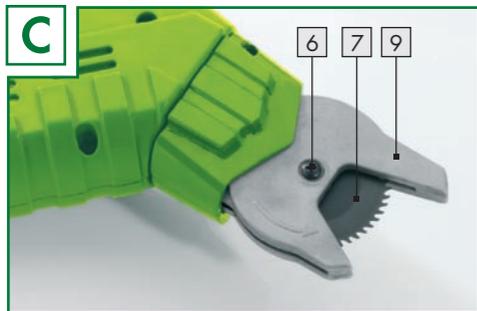
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The following pictogrammes / symbols are used in these operating instructions:			
	Read instruction manual	<b>W/mW</b>	Watts / Milliwatts
	Observe caution and safety notes!		Safety class II
	Caution - electric shock! Dangerous electric current - danger to life!		Wear hearing protection, dust protection mask, protective glasses and protective gloves.
	Explosive material!		Keep children and other unauthorised personnel at a safe distance when using electrical tools.
	Risk of fire!		Keep the device away from rain or moisture. Water entering an electrical device increases the risk of electric shock.
	Volt (AC) Volt (DC)		Damaged appliances, power cables and power plugs mean potentially fatal risks from electric shock. Regularly check the condition of the appliance, the power cables and the power plugs.
	Milliamps / Amps / Amp-hours		Dispose packaging and appliance in an environmentally-friendly way!

## Cordless Branch Cutter PRC 9.6

Manufacturer will not accept liability for loss or damage arising from improper use.

### ● Introduction

 Please make sure you familiarise yourself fully with the way the device works before you use it for the first time and that you understand how to handle electrical power tools correctly. To help you do this please read the accompanying operating instructions. Keep these instructions in a safe place. If you pass the device on to anyone else, please ensure that you also pass on all the documentation.

### ● For your safety

The cordless branch cutter is approved exclusively for non-commercial, domestic use for cutting branches. Any other use or modification to the device shall be considered as improper use and could give rise to considerable dangers. The manu-

### ● Equipment

#### Cordless branch cutter

- 1 Starting lock
- 2 Charging socket
- 3 Handle
- 4 On / Off switch
- 5 Ventilation grate
- 6 Screw
- 7 Saw blade
- 8 Branch holder
- 9 Saw blade cover
- 10 Edge guide

#### Battery charger (see Fig. A)

- 11 Battery charger
- 12 Cable
- 13 Plug

## ● Delivery scope

- 1 cordless branch cutter
- 1 battery charger with cable and plug
- 1 operating instruction manual
- 1 "Warranty and Service" booklet

## ● Technical data

### Cordless branch cutter PRC 9.6 - KH 3127:

Rated voltage:	9,6V ===
Rated speed:	860 rpm
Sound pressure level:	72,4 dB (A)
Sound power level:	83,4 dB (A)

### Integrated NI-CD rechargeable battery:

Rated capacity:	1.7 Ah
Rated voltage:	9,6V ===
Charging time:	approx. 3 h

### Charger PRC 9.6 - 01:

Primary	
Rated voltage:	230V ~ 50 Hz
Rated power consumption:	11 W

### Secondary

Rated voltage:	12V ===
Rated power consumption:	450 mA
Protection class:	II / 

**PRC 9.6**  
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**9.6V ===**  
**n<sub>0</sub> 860 min<sup>-1</sup>**

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## General safety advice

- **Attention!** Please read all the instructions and advice. Failure to observe the instructions and advice given below may result in electric shock, fire and / or serious injury.

MAKE SURE THAT YOU KEEP THESE INSTRUCTIONS AND SAFETY ADVICE IN A SAFE PLACE.

## 1. Your working area

- a) **Keep your working area clean and clutter-free.** Untidy or poorly lit working areas can lead to accidents.
- b)  **Do not work with the device in potentially explosive environments in which there are inflammable liquids, gases or dusts.** Electrical power tools create sparks, which can ignite dusts or fumes.
- c)  **Keep children and other people away while you are operating the electrical tool.** Distractions can cause you to lose control of the device.

## 2. Electrical safety

- a) **The mains plug on the device must match the mains socket. The plug must not be modified in any way. Do not use an adapter plug with devices fitted with a protective earth.** Unmodified plugs and matching sockets reduce the risk of electric shock.
- b) **Avoid touching earthed surfaces such as pipes, radiators, ovens and refrigerators with any part of your body.** There is an increased risk of electric shock if your body is earthed.
- c)  **Keep the device away from rain or moisture.** Water entering an electrical device increases the risk

of electric shock.

- d)  **Do not use the mains lead for any purpose for which it was not intended, e.g. to**

**carry the device, to hang up the device or to pull the mains plug out of the mains socket. Keep the mains lead away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts of the device.** Damaged or tangled mains leads increase the risk of electric shock.

## 3. Personal safety

- a) **Remain alert at all times, watch what you are doing and always proceed with caution. Do not use the device if you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication.** One moment of carelessness when using the device can lead to serious injury.

- b)  **Wear personal protective equipment and always wear safety glasses.** The

wearing of personal protective equipment such as dust masks, non-slip safety shoes, safety helmets or ear protectors, appropriate to the type of electrical power tool used and work undertaken, reduces the risk of injury.

- c) **Avoid unintentional operation of the device.** Accidents can happen if you carry the device with your finger on the switch.
- d) **Remove any setting tools or spanners before you switch the device on.** A tool or spanner left attached to a rotating part of a device can lead to injury.
- e) **Do not overestimate your own abilities. Keep proper footing and balance at all times.** By doing this you will be in a better position to control the device, especially in unforeseen circumstances.
- f) **Wear suitable clothing. Do not wear loose clothing or jewellery. Keep your hair, clothing and gloves clear of moving parts.** Loose clothing, jewellery or long hair can become trapped in moving parts.

## 4. Careful handling and use of electrical power tools

- a) **Do not overload the device. Always use an electrical power tool that is intended for the task you are undertaking.** By using the right electrical power tool for the job you will work more safely and achieve a better result.
- b) **Do not use an electrical power tool if its switch is defective.** An electrical power tool that can no longer be switched on and off is dangerous and must be repaired.
- c) **When not in use always ensure that electrical power tools are kept out of reach of children. Do not let anyone use the device if he or she is not familiar with it or has not read the instructions and advice.** Electrical power tools are dangerous when they are used by inexperienced people.
- d) **Look after the device carefully. Check that moving parts are working properly and move freely. Check for any parts that are broken or damaged enough to detrimentally affect the functioning of the device. Have damaged parts repaired before you use the device.** Many accidents have their origins in poorly maintained electrical power tools.
- e) **Keep cutting tools clean and sharp.** Carefully maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to jam and are easier to control.
- f) **Use the electrical power tool, accessories, inserted tools etc. in accordance with these instructions and advice, and the stipulations drawn up for this particular type of device. In doing this, take into account the working conditions and the task in hand.** The use of electrical power tools for purposes other than those intended can lead to dangerous situations.



## Safety instructions specific to the tool

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 Check the condition of the device, charger [11], lead [12] and plug [13] before starting to charge the device.

Do not use the tool if any of the parts are damaged. Never open the tool. Repair or replacement must only be carried out by the Service Office or an electrical expert. Damaged tools, mains cables or mains plugs pose a danger to life as a result of electric shock.

- Maintenance and cleaning must only be carried out when the tool is switched off and the battery charger is disconnected from the mains power.
- Never under any circumstances charge the integrated rechargeable battery with the battery charger if damaged.
- Only use the original battery charger to charge the integrated battery.
- Before connecting the battery charger to the mains power, make sure that the mains current is 230V ~ 50Hz and is equipped with a 16A fuse in accordance with requirements.



## Caution! How to avoid injury:

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 Use the following safety gear when operating the tool: Wear safety goggles, worker safety boots and protective gloves.

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**Caution! The saw blade [7] runs on after the tool has been switched off!** Avoid any contact with the rotating saw blade [7].
- Only remove workpieces when the saw blade has come to a complete standstill.
- Prevent the saw blade [7] from coming into contact and/or colliding with stones, metal, or similar materials. The saw blade [7] may otherwise be damaged.
- Switch off the device immediately (by releasing the On/Off switch [4]):
  - If you strike any foreign body (e.g. a nail) while making a cut!
  - If the saw blade [7] becomes blocked (e.g.

- by wood shavings / sawdust).
- Never have the charger [11] connected to the device while you are sawing.
- Keep out of the area in which a cut and falling branch could hit.

## ● Starting operation

### ● Charging the integrated rechargeable battery

The battery initially requires about 4-5 charging cycles before it achieves its maximum capacity.

#### Starting the charging process

- Insert the plug [13] into the charging socket [2].
- Insert the charger [11] into the mains socket.

The LED on the charger [11] indicates the device's battery charge state:

- Red:** The device requires to be charged or is being charged.
- Green:** The device is fully charged.

#### Ending the charging process

- Pull the charger [11] out of the mains socket.
- Pull the plug [13] out of the charging socket [2].

Only charge the rechargeable battery when it is empty. This prevents the "memory effect" (loss of capacity as a result of charging when only partially discharged).

- Never switch the device on while it is being charged.
- Do not allow any objects to cover the charger! The heat generated by the charger while operating can lead to a build-up of heat!

## ● Operation

### ● Switching on / off

#### Switching on

- Switch on **1** to the front.
- Press the On / Off switch **4**.

The starting lock **1** prevents your branch cutter from being switched on unintentionally.

#### Switching off

- Release the On / Off switch **4**.



**Danger! The saw blade **7** runs on after the tool has been switched off!**

### ● Cutting branches

-  Switch on the device and guide it on to the branch that you intend to cut.

Always cut in such a way that the guiding edge **10** is resting on the branch (see Fig. B).

### ● Changing the saw blade

Change the saw blade **7** as soon as its tothing becomes blunt.

- Unscrew the screw **6** using a Phillips screw driver.
- Lift off the saw blade cover **9**.
- Remove the saw blade **7**.
- Remove any sawing debris.
- Make sure that the markings showing the direction of rotation  on the new saw blade **7** and on the saw blade cover **9** point in the same direction (see Figs. C+D).
- Screw the saw blade cover **9** back on to the device using the screw **6**.

You can obtain replacement saw blades from our Service Centres.

## ● Maintenance and cleaning

- **Danger:** Only carry out maintenance and cleaning when the tool is switched off and the battery charger **11** is disconnected from the mains power.

### ● Maintenance

- Always charge the integrated rechargeable battery completely at the beginning and the end of any lengthy period of non-use (for instance in spring and summer).

### ● Cleaning

- Clean off any dirt or debris (e.g. sawdust, chippings or plant residues) from the device.
- Thoroughly clean the saw blade **7**.
- Use a dry cloth to clean the outside of the device - never use petrol, solvents or cleaners.

## ● Disposal



The packaging is wholly composed of environmentally-friendly materials that can be disposed of at a local recycling centre.



**Do not dispose of electrical power tools with the household rubbish!**

In accordance with European Directive 2002/96/EC (covering waste electrical and electronic equipment) and its transposition into national legislation, worn out electrical power tools must be collected separately and taken for environmentally compatible recycling.

Contact your local refuse disposal authority for more details of how to dispose of your worn out electrical devices.

## ● Information

### ● Service centre

The service centre for your country is shown in the warranty documentation.

- Have your device repaired only by qualified specialist personnel using original manufacturer parts only. This will ensure that your device remains safe to use.
- If the plug or mains lead needs to be replaced, always have the replacement carried out by the manufacturer or its service centre. This will ensure that your device remains safe to use.

## ● Declaration of Conformity / Manufacturer CE

We, Kompernaß GmbH, Burgstr. 21,  
D-44867 Bochum, Germany, declare  
that this product complies with the  
following EU directives:

**Machinery Directive (89 / 392 / EC),  
(91 / 368 / EC), (93 / 44 / EC)**

**EU Low Voltage Directive (2006 / 95 / EC)**

**Electromagnetic Compatibility  
(2004 / 108 / EC)**

### **Type / Device description:**

Cordless Branch Cutter PRC 9.6

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We reserve the right to make technical modifications in the course  
of product development.

